

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson  
Mr. Richard A. Price, Vice-Chairperson  
Mr. William F. Luebke  
Mr. John L. Margowski, Secretary

**VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES**

**EMERGENCY MEETING: July 9, 2008**

**TIME: 3:30 P.M.**

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. All members were present. The minutes of the January 15, 2008 meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections to the minutes. Mr. William Luebke made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Richard Price seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

**CASE #BV, (46,310)**

This case involves a single, peace-time veteran who served August 6, 1976 to August 6, 1980. He is not eligible for the VA Pension. He cannot use state benefits because he has exceeded the 90 day time limit from the time he became ill.

The veteran had major health issues in February 2008. He was self-employed as a truck driver. He lost his business and assets as a result of his illness.

John Margowski, Secretary, is asking the Veterans Service Commission to approve:

Rent:	\$850.00
Wisconsin Electric:	\$237.42 this month only (Normally \$129.00)
Telephone:	<u>\$ 95.61</u>
<b><u>Subtotal:</u></b>	\$1,183.03
Food	<u>\$250.00</u>
<b><u>Total:</u></b>	\$1,433.03

Mr. Margowski requested a possible second and third adjusted grant be approved if needed to include \$250 for food and a gas allowance from the adjusted allowance for the electric bill. He currently has a veteran's organization assisting with the \$250 food assistance for this month.

The commissioners questioned the veteran's future. Per Mr. Margowski, the veteran may need to apply for Social Security Disability. He can use the VA for health care. Mr. Price made a motion to authorize payment and follow-up grants with adjustment to the total as needed. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Margowski thanked the two commissioners who attended the February 2008 Salute to Legislature Conference in Madison. There was discussion on this conference, the new Federal GI Bill, Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) ruling, and other veteran issues. Mr. Margowski also informed the Commissioners that the budget being presented to the County Executive is recommending an increase for the Veterans' Emergency Fund.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Luebke. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. John L. Margowski,  
Secretary

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